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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Patel, Pritesh Ashok Group Art Unit: 3763 In re PATENT APPLICATION of Applicants: Akitoshi Fukai et al. Serial No.: 10/541,960 AMENDMENT Filed July 8, 2005 For **SEALING** VALVE **FOR** MEDICAL) APPARATUS. CONNECTION PORT,) MIXTURE INJECTION TUBE, CONNECTION) TOOL FOR INFUSION CIRCUIT, AND) SYSTEM FOR INFUSION CIRCUIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and the preliminary amendment are filed in reply to the Final Office Action electronically delivered on June 09, 2010. Applicants respectfully request entry of the proposed amendments and reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and the following remarks.